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SUBJ: POINTS FOR DISCUSSION WITH SECRETARY IN BUENOS AIRES

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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROGERS FROM POPPER

1. FOLLOWING IS DESIGNED TO SHARPEN AND SHORTEN OUR  
DISCUSSION ON CHILE WITH THE SECRETARY, APRIL 24.

2. INTER-AMERICAN PROBLEMS. THE CHILEANS WOULD LIKE  
TO BE HELPFUL BUT WILL NOT RESIST STRONG LATIN AMERICAN  
TRENDS, ESPECIALLY SINCE THEY WANT SUPPORT IN DISPOSING  
OF THE INTER-AMERICAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION REPORT IN  
THE LEAST HARMFUL WAY, IN THE OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY.  
ACCORDINGLY, THEY WILL:

A. BE AS DISINCLINED AS ANY LATAM COUNTRY TO CHANGE  
THE STATUS OF CUBA, THOUGH THEY CONSIDER THE ENDING OF  
SANCTIONS VIRTUALLY INEVITABLE;

B. HOLD BACK ON PANAMA, BUT STAY WITH THE  
MAJORITY;

C. TRY TO MAINTAIN THE RIO TREATY AND THE OAS STRUCTURE  
PRETTY MUCH AS THEY ARE NOW;

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C. SUPPORT SAPENA PASTOR FOR THE OAS SEC GEN AS LONG

AS HE IS IN THE RACE, THEN SHIFT TO ORFILA;

E. BE GENERALLY MODERATE ON SUCH MATTERS AS MULTI-NATIONAL CORPORATIONS AND TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY;

F. SUPPORT CHANGES IN THE TRADE REFORM ACT DESIRED BY THE LATAM MAJORITY;

G. WILLINGLY COOPERATE IN CARRYING ON THE "DIALOGUE" IN CIVIL TERMS.

3. QUESTION: ARE THERE ANY SPECIAL POINTS TO BE STRESSED WITH THE CHILEANS IN PREPARATION FOR THE OASGA?

4. BILATERAL PROBLEMS. CHILE IS SUFFERING VERY SEVERE ECONOMIC STRINGENCY; IF IT CONTINUES, IT WILL SERIOUSLY WEAKEN THE JUNTA. BECAUSE IT NEEDS MORE FRIENDS, INCLUDING THE US, THE GOVERNMENT IS CONSIDERING SOME RELAZATION OF ITS INTERNAL SECURITY POLICIES. BUT VERY LITTLE HAS YET BEEN DONE.

5. ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE. THE IMMEDIATE EMERGENCY IS FINANCIAL. THE CHILEANS RECOGNIZE HOW DEPENDENT THEY ARE ON US TO GET THEIR 1975 FOREIGN DEBT MATURITIES RESCHEDULED THROUGH THE PARIS CLUB. EVEN IF THAT OPERATION IS SUCCESSFUL, THE CHILEANS WILL STILL HAVE TO FIND, SAY, BETWEEN \$200 AND \$400 MILLION IN 1975 TO MEET THEIR OBLIGATIONS. THEY WANT \$150 MILLION IN CREDITS FROM US BANKS, LARGELY TO MAKE THE PAYMENTS ON THE EXPROPRIATION SETTLEMENTS THEY CONCLUDED WITH US COMPANIES IN 1974. THEY NEED OUR HELP IN OBTAINING MAJOR AID FROM THE INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS. THEY WILL ALSO BE SEEKING ADDITIONAL BILATERAL ASSISTANCE FROM US THROUGH PL 180, CCC CREDITS, EXIMBANK CREDITS, AND IN OTHER WAYS.

6. QUESTION: IN LIGHT OF CONGRESSIONAL ATTITUDES, CAN WE ASSURE THE CHILEANS OF CONTINUED SUPPORT IN THIS AREA?

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7. HUMAN RIGHTS. THE CHILEANS REALIZE THAT THE HUMAN RIGHTS PROBLEM IS THE TOUCHSTONE OF THEIR RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES, THOUGH THEY DO NOT ALWAYS UNDERSTAND HOW SERIOUS THEIR DIFFICULTIES ARE. SOURCES WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT ARE PRESSING FOR A NUMBER OF IMPROVEMENTS--SO FAR WITH LITTLE SUCCESS THROUGH WITH IMPROVED PROSPECTS. THE GOC IS FULLY AWARE OF OUR POSITION ON THESE MATTERS. THE POINT WOULD BE EMPHASIZED IF WE WERE TO ANNOUNCE

THE START OF A PAROLE PROGRAM TO ADMIT CHILEAN REFUGEES  
AND DETAINEES TO THE UNITED STATES.

8. QUESTION: SHOULD WE MAKE ANY CHANGES IN OUR POSITION  
ON HUMAN RIGHTS?

9. MILITARY AID. BECAUSE OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION,  
CONGRESS HAS CUT OFF MILITARY AID TO CHILE. SO FAR,  
WE HAVE INTERPRETED THIS TO INCLUDE EVEN SUCH  
ANCILLARY MATERIAL AS SIDEWINDER MISSILES FOR F-5ES  
ALREADY ORDERED, AND SPARE PARTS FOR DESTROYERS  
ALREADY DELIVERED,. IF THE GOC SHOULD BEGIN TO MODIFY  
ITS HUMAN RIGHTS PRACTICES SUBSTANTIALLY, A RELAXATION  
OF THE ARMS RESTRICTIONS COULD SERVE AS AN INDUCEMENT  
TO THE GOC TO CARRY THROUGH, UP TO THE LIMITE PERMITTED  
BY ITS INTERNAL SECURITY SITUATION.

10. QUESTION: COULD BE BEGIN SOON WITH THE ANCILLARY  
EQUIPMENT, AND APPROACH CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS TO END  
THE ARMS BAN IN FY 1976 IF CHILE CONTINUED TO MOVE TOWARD  
A MORE NORMAL HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION?

11. CONGRESS. NOT A SINGLE MEMBER OF CONGRESS HAS VISITED  
CHILE IN OVER A YEAR. THE AMOUNT OF MISINFORMATION AND  
DISINFORMATION ABOUT CHILE IN THE UNITED STATES IS  
ENORMOUS. IF PROGRESS BEGINS TO BE MADE ON HUMAN  
RIGHTS, I WOULD HOPE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS WHO ARE NOT  
COMMITTED WITH RESPECT TO CHILE COULD BE ENCOURAGED TO  
INCLUDE THE COUNTRY IN THEIR ITINERARIES.  
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